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I WANT TO HAVE A LITTLE FUN BEFORE I SETTLE DOWN! I WANT TO BE...
IN THIS ISSUE...
FIND-A-WORD PUZZLE PAGE!
NO DICTIONARY NEEDED!
JUST GRAB A PENCIL!
FREE TO LOVE
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MARTERA

ALIX AND MILT, JAN AND CINDY... THEY ALL SAID THE SAME THING... ROLF SANDERS WAS A DUMMY... A WEIRDO... HE JUST DIDN'T FIT IN WITH THE REST OF US! I TOOK THEIR WORD FOR IT UNTIL THE NIGHT WHEN... I FOUND MYSELF IN HIS ARMS... RETURNING HIS KISSES!
LOOK, CINDY... PHYLLIS AND THAT WEIRDO ARE...
SHE'S KISSING HIM! UGH... HOW CAN SHE STAND IT?
GROWING UP
I LOVE YOU

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I'VE BEEN WITH THE CROWD FOR YEARS ...ALL OUR FAMILIES HAD COTTAGES AT THE LAKE AND I'D DATED MOST OF THE BOYS AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER...

I'M SO TIRED OF ALL THIS... IT'S ALWAYS THE SAME!

I LEFT THE DANCING CASINO WITHOUT BEING NOTICED...AND WENT OUT ON THE DOCK...

HI... AREN'T YOU ROLF SANDERS? YOU'RE USING THE ELLIS PLACE?

YOU'RE PHYLLIS DEAN... MR. SCOTT AT THE STORE TOLD ME. I ASKED HIM ABOUT YOU!

MR. SCOTT IS A VERY NICE MAN, ROLF!

HE THINKS YOU'RE PRETTY NICE TOO, PHYLLIS...

EVERYONE THINKS YOU'RE SORT OF A CHARACTER... YOU'RE EITHER READING OVER IN YOUR FRONT YARD, SWIMMING ACROSS THE LAKE OR BICYCLING UP MOUNTAINS! ARE YOU ANTI-SOCIAL OR SOME THING?

NO,... JUST BUSY TRYING TO PUT IT ALL TOGETHER AND STAYING IN SHAPE!

FOR WHAT? DO YOU PLAY FOOTBALL OR BASKETBALL?

NEITHER. THEY'RE GLAMOR SPORTS... I'M ON THE SWIM TEAM AND I PLAY CHESS... AND GET PRETTY GOOD GRADES!

WHAT ABOUT GIRLS, ROLF?

GIRLS? THEY AREN'T PART OF MY CURRICULUM, PHYLLIS... I'M TOO BUSY TO WASTE TIME ON THE FAIR SEX!

WITH THAT REMARK ROLF LEFT... AND I WENT BACK INTO THE LAKESIDE CASINO (A HAMBURGER AND SOFT DRINK HANG-OUT)...

WERE YOU JUST TALKING TO THAT SANDERS CHARACTER, PHYLLIS?

HE'S PRETTY NICE, JAN... ROLF IS JUST A LITTLE *DIFFERENT*, THAT'S ALL!

NEXT DAY...

THERE'S ROLF SANDERS... I'LL STOP AND SAY HELLO!

HI, ROLF. MORE STUDYING?

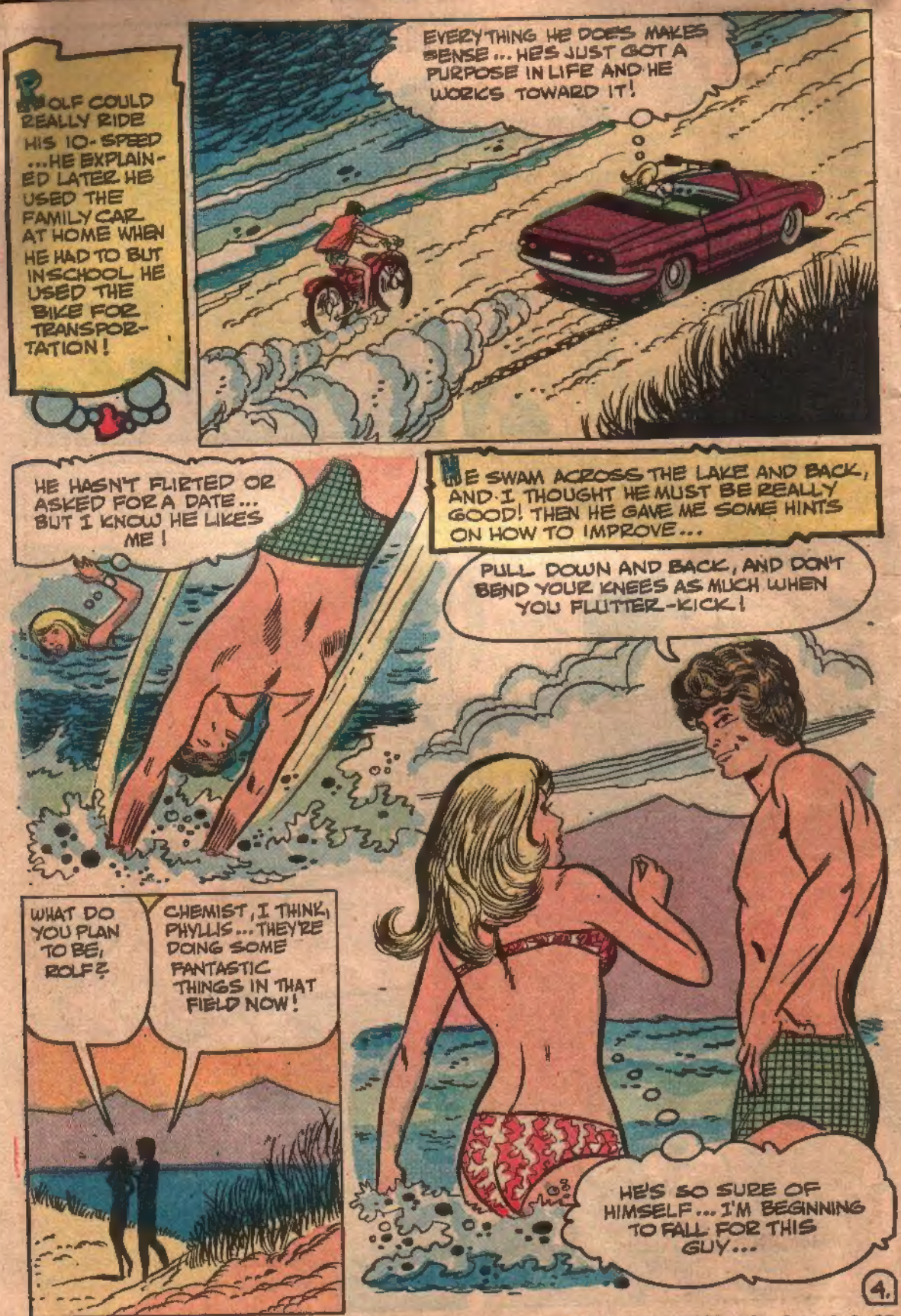
NO... I'VE BEEN GETTING STALE... THIS IS FICTION... I'VE GOT NOTHING ELSE TO DO!

...I JUST DIDN'T ALLOW TIME FOR DATES... BUT I LIKE SWIMMING SO I'LL TAKE YOU UP ON IT!

FOLLOW MY CAR... I'LL SHOW YOU THE BEACH I USE!

IT'S TOO BAD GIRLS DON'T INTEREST YOU, ROLF... I'D INVITE YOU TO COME SWIMMING WITH ME!

I DIDN'T SAY GIRLS DON'T INTEREST ME, PHYLLIS...


ROLF COULD REALLY RIDE HIS 10-SPEED ...HE EXPLAINED LATER HE USED THE FAMILY CAR AT HOME WHEN HE HAD TO BUT IN SCHOOL HE USED THE BIKE FOR TRANSPORTATION!
EVERYTHING HE DOES MAKES SENSE... HE'S JUST GOT A PURPOSE IN LIFE AND HE WORKS TOWARD IT!
HE HASN'T FLIRTED OR ASKED FOR A DATE... BUT I KNOW HE LIKES ME!
HE SWAM ACROSS THE LAKE AND BACK, AND I THOUGHT HE MUST BE REALLY GOOD! THEN HE GAVE ME SOME HINTS ON HOW TO IMPROVE...
PULL DOWN AND BACK, AND DON'T BEND YOUR KNEES AS MUCH WHEN YOU FLUTTER-KICK!
WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO BE, ROLF?
CHEMIST, I THINK, PHYLLIS... THEY'RE DOING SOME FANTASTIC THINGS IN THAT FIELD NOW!
HE'S SO SURE OF HIMSELF... I'M BEGINNING TO FALL FOR THIS GUY...
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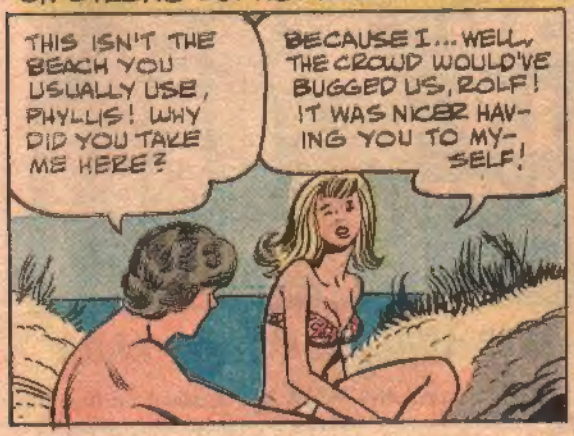
HE TREATED ME AS AN INTELLIGENT YOUNG ADULT... NOT JUST A PRETTY GIRL WITH A NICE FIGURE! ALIX, TIMMY OR THE OTHER GUYS WOULD'VE BEEN COMING ON STRONG BUT NOT ROLF...


THIS ISN'T THE BEACH YOU USUALLY USE, PHYLLIS! WHY DID YOU TAKE ME HERE?
BECAUSE I... WELL... THE CROWD WOULD'VE BUGGED US, ROLF! IT WAS NICER HAVING YOU TO MYSELF!

AS USUAL, THERE WAS DANCING AT THE LAKESIDE CASINO SATURDAY NIGHT... BUT I JUST COULDN'T HACK IT... SO I STEPED OUTSIDE AND...

STOP BLAMING YOURSELF... MAYBE YOU'RE JUST MATURING FASTER THAN THEY! I THINK YOU'RE REALLY GREAT...
THAT CROWD IS GETTING REALLY BORING... I'M JUST FEELING BLUE, ROLF! ...I'M BEGINNING TO FEEL LIKE A MISFIT AROUND THE OTHERS...
I CAME DOWN HERE... BECAUSE I JUST WANTED TO LOOK AT YOU AND BE WITH YOU...
IF YOU FEEL THAT WAY, JUST SAY SO... I'D RATHER BE WITH YOU THAN ANY OF THEM, ROLF!
IN THAT CASE... YOU WON'T BE SEEING MUCH OF THEM ANY MORE!
I GUESS I'M FINALLY GROWING UP... AND I'M REALLY, REALLY GLAD!
END

FIND-a-WORD

IT'S FUN!

SEEK-a-WORD

IT'S EASY!

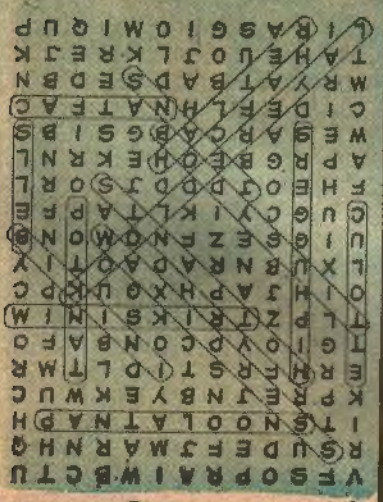
YOU NEED NO REFERENCE—JUST A SHARP EYE!!

- ✔ AS YOU LOCATE A WORD IN THE DIAGRAM, CIRCLE IT AND CROSS IT OFF THE LIST.
- ✔ ALL WORDS ARE ALWAYS FOUND IN A STRAIGHT LINE EITHER **FORWARD, BACKWARD, UP, DOWN** OR **DIAGONALLY.** NO LETTERS ARE EVER SKIPPED. YOU WILL NOT USE UP ALL THE LETTERS IN A GIVEN DIAGRAM.
- ✔ FOR A VARIATION, TRY COVERING THE WORD LIST AND CIRCLE AS MANY WORDS IN THE DIAGRAM AS YOU CAN.

LOCATE THESE FASHION FADS!

1. JEANS
2. BELLS
3. HALTER
4. CAFTAN
5. BIKINI
6. TANKTOP
7. CULOTTE
8. HOT PANTS
9. BODY SUIT
10. MINI SKIRT
11. MAXIDRESS
12. PANTALOONS
13. HIP-HUGGERS
14. LAYERED LOOK

ANSWERS



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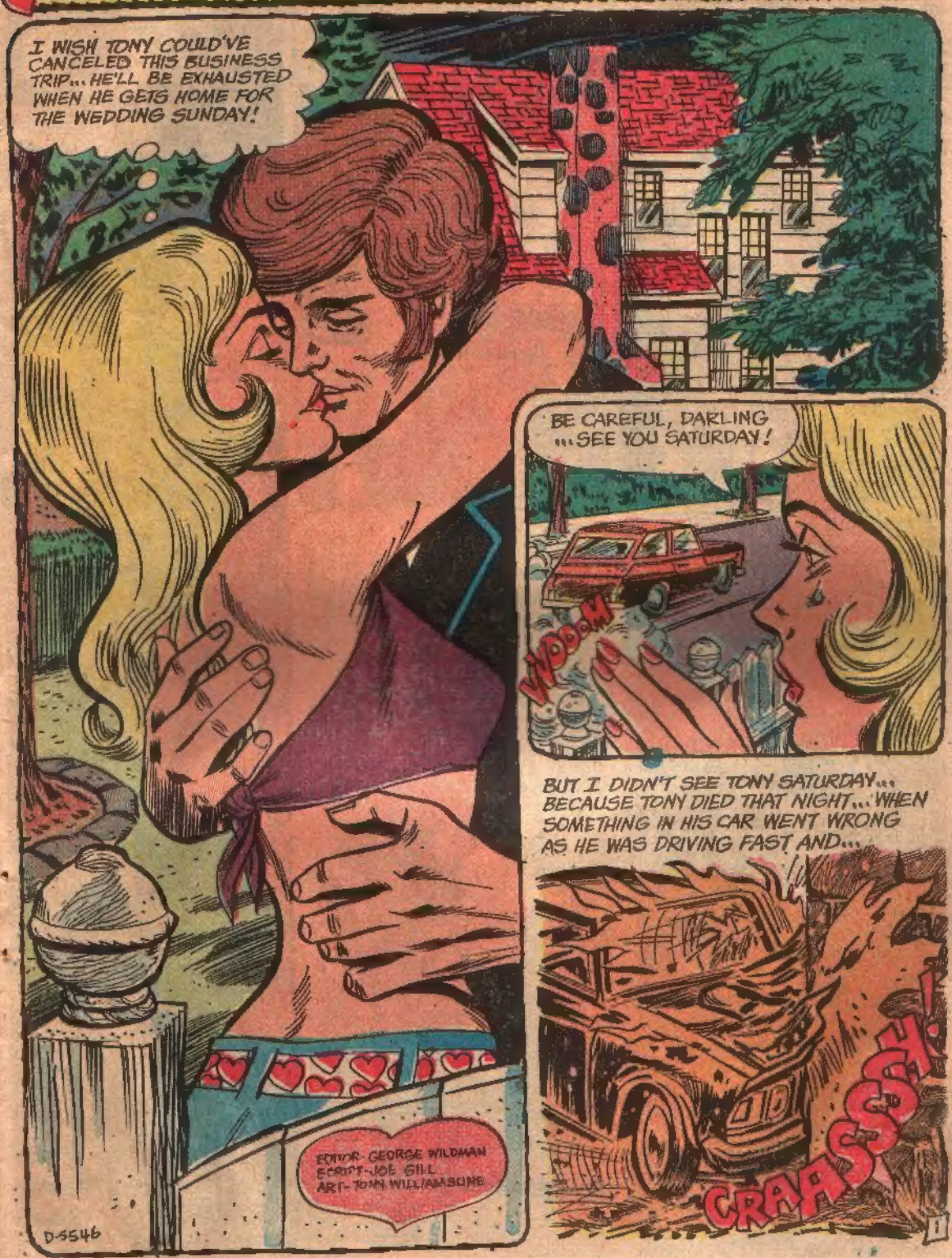
LOOK FOR

FIND-A-WORD AND **SEEK-A-WORD**—TWO NEW CHARLTON PUZZLE MAGAZINES FOUND ON MOST NEWSSTANDS!

The LAST EMBRACE...

THE NIGHT THAT TONY HELD ME IN HIS ARMS... WHEN OUR LIPS MET AND MY HEART MELTED ...I KNEW I WAS GOING TO BE THE HAPPIEST BRIDE IN ALL THE WORLD!


I WISH TONY COULD'VE CANCELED THIS BUSINESS TRIP... HE'LL BE EXHAUSTED WHEN HE GETS HOME FOR THE WEDDING SUNDAY!
BE CAREFUL, DARLING ...SEE YOU SATURDAY!
VROOM
BUT I DIDN'T SEE TONY SATURDAY... BECAUSE TONY DIED THAT NIGHT... WHEN SOMETHING IN HIS CAR WENT WRONG AS HE WAS DRIVING FAST AND...
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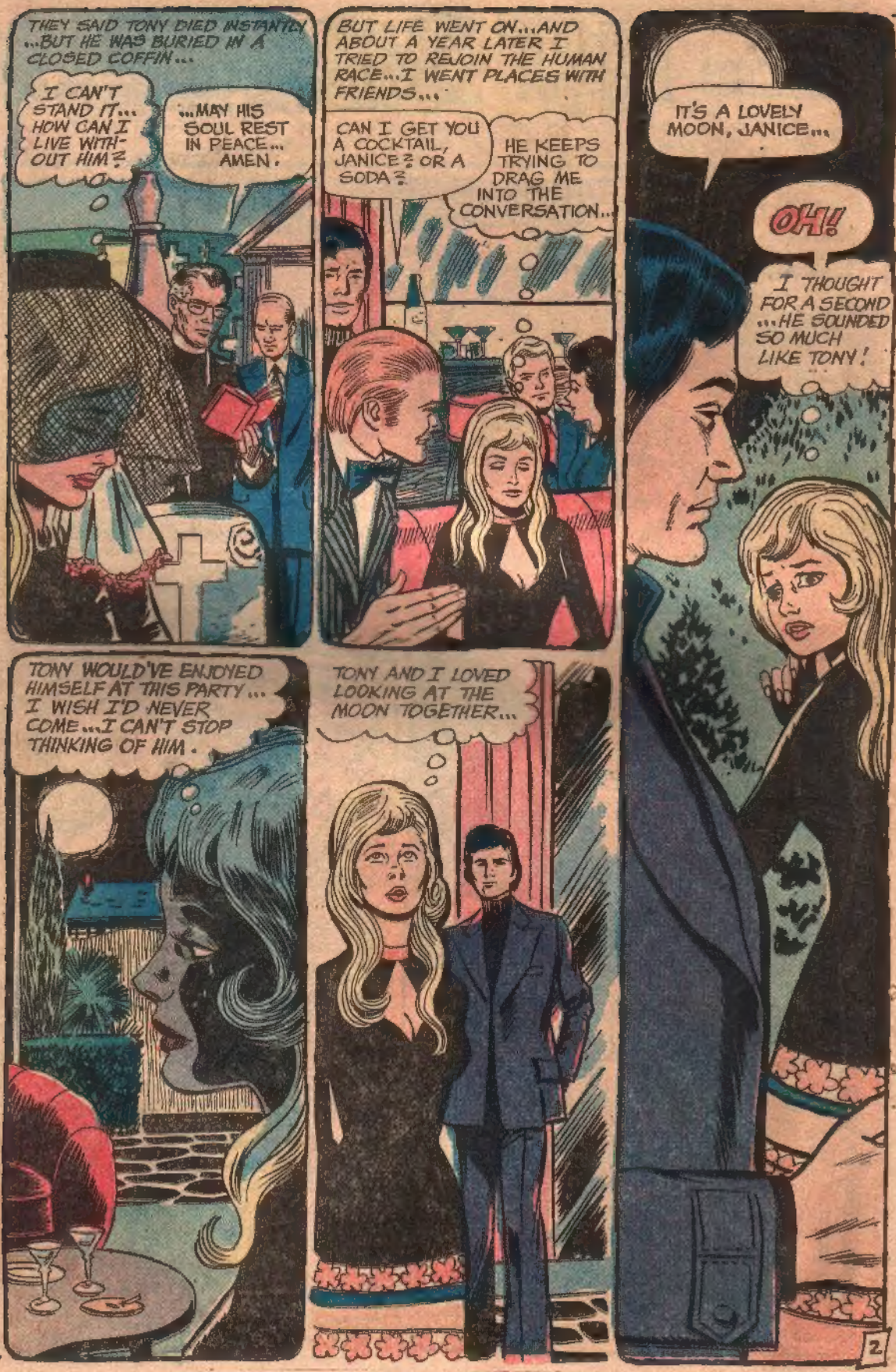
THEY SAID TONY DIED INSTANTLY ...BUT HE WAS BURIED IN A CLOSED COFFIN...
I CAN'T STAND IT... HOW CAN I LIVE WITHOUT HIM?
...MAY HIS SOUL REST IN PEACE... AMEN.
BUT LIFE WENT ON...AND ABOUT A YEAR LATER I TRIED TO REJOIN THE HUMAN RACE...I WENT PLACES WITH FRIENDS...
CAN I GET YOU A COCKTAIL, JANICE? OR A SODA?
HE KEEPS TRYING TO DRAG ME INTO THE CONVERSATION...
IT'S A LOVELY MOON, JANICE...
OH!
I THOUGHT FOR A SECOND ...HE SOUNDED SO MUCH LIKE TONY!
TONY WOULD'VE ENJOYED HIMSELF AT THIS PARTY... I WISH I'D NEVER COME...I CAN'T STOP THINKING OF HIM.
TONY AND I LOVED LOOKING AT THE MOON TOGETHER...
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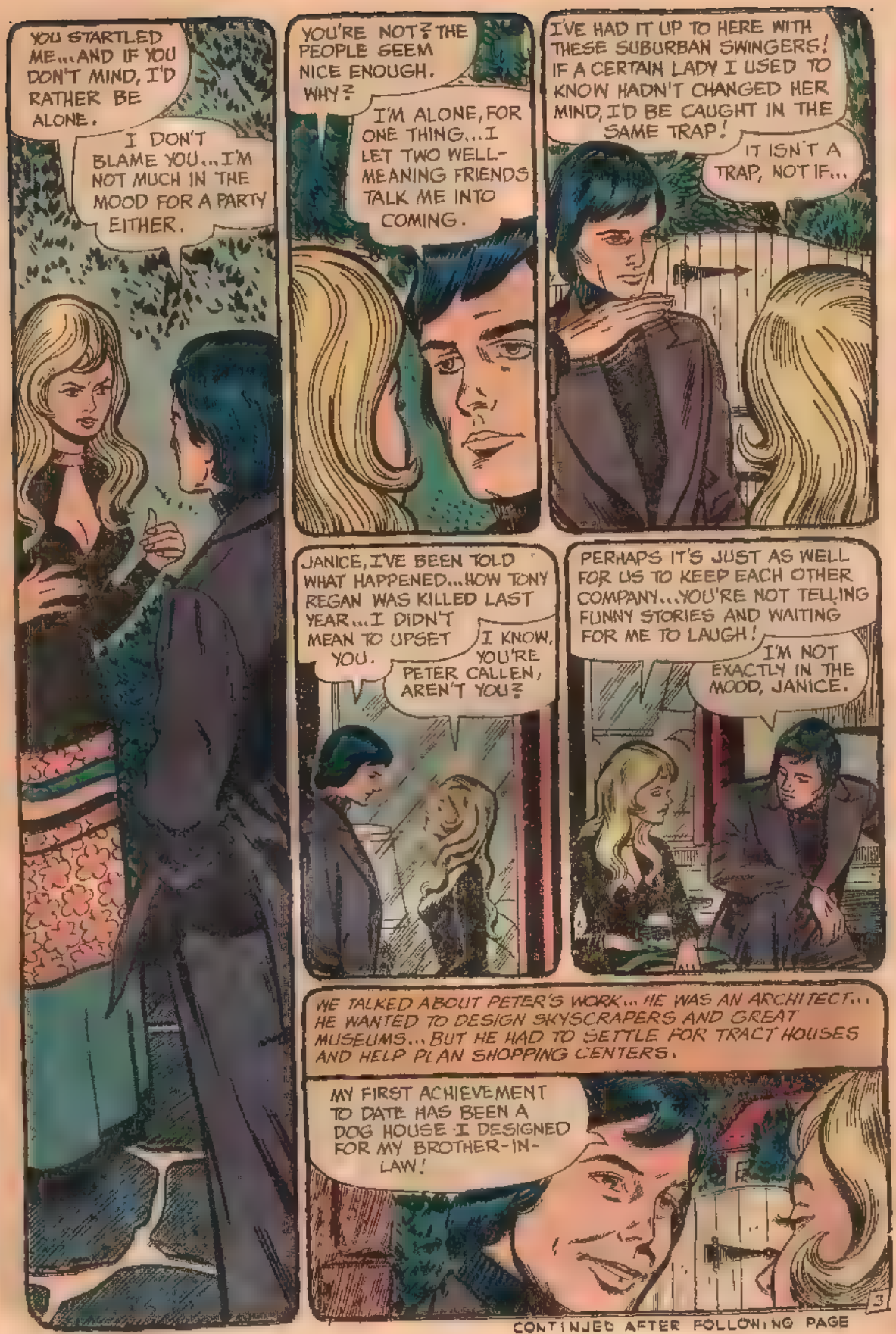
YOU STARTLED ME...AND IF YOU DON'T MIND, I'D RATHER BE ALONE.
I DON'T BLAME YOU...I'M NOT MUCH IN THE MOOD FOR A PARTY EITHER.
YOU'RE NOT? THE PEOPLE SEEM NICE ENOUGH. WHY?
I'M ALONE, FOR ONE THING...I LET TWO WELL-MEANING FRIENDS TALK ME INTO COMING.
I'VE HAD IT UP TO HERE WITH THESE SUBURBAN SWINGERS! IF A CERTAIN LADY I USED TO KNOW HADN'T CHANGED HER MIND, I'D BE CAUGHT IN THE SAME TRAP!
IT ISN'T A TRAP, NOT IF...
JANICE, I'VE BEEN TOLD WHAT HAPPENED...HOW TONY REGAN WAS KILLED LAST YEAR...I DIDN'T MEAN TO UPSET YOU.
I KNOW, YOU'RE PETER CALLEN, AREN'T YOU?
PERHAPS IT'S JUST AS WELL FOR US TO KEEP EACH OTHER COMPANY...YOU'RE NOT TELLING FUNNY STORIES AND WAITING FOR ME TO LAUGH!
I'M NOT EXACTLY IN THE MOOD, JANICE.
WE TALKED ABOUT PETER'S WORK... HE WAS AN ARCHITECT... HE WANTED TO DESIGN SKYSCRAPERS AND GREAT MUSEUMS...BUT HE HAD TO SETTLE FOR TRACT HOUSES AND HELP PLAN SHOPPING CENTERS.
MY FIRST ACHIEVEMENT TO DATE HAS BEEN A DOG HOUSE I DESIGNED FOR MY BROTHER-IN-LAW!
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JAN, ARE YOU OUT HE.... OH, PETER. HOW NICE THAT YOU'RE HERE.
I'LL WAIT 'TILL I LEARN WHY THAT DELIGHTS YOU SO, ELLEN.
WELL, I JUST TELEPHONED HOME AND THE BABY-SITTER IS ILL, SO JERRY AND I WANT TO GO STRAIGHT HOME. BE A LAMB AND DROP JAN OFF, WON'T YOU?
I'M SURE I...
OF COURSE, ELLEN!
SO I WOUND UP WITH PETER... WHO HALFWAY HOME STARTED SAYING HOW STARVED HE WAS ...AND WE WOUND UP IN THE DINER FOR A SNACK!
IT'S AGES SINCE I'VE EATEN LIKE THIS SO LATE AT NIGHT, PETER!
FOR SOME REASON, I SEEM TO HAVE MY APPETITE BACK!
WHY WERE YOU RUNNING AROUND WITH A LONG FACE WHEN WE MET, PETER?
A GIRL STOPPED DATING ME... SHE MET A-NOTHER STUD... AND I THOUGHT I'D NEVER MEET ANYONE LIKE HER! I WAS RIGHT...
YOU WERE RIGHT!
I MET YOU... YOU'RE MUCH NICER THAN SHE EVER WAS!

NO, PETER...I CAN'T BE LIKE THAT... I DON'T EVER WANT TO BE INVOLVED AGAIN!
YOU CAN'T HELP YOURSELF, JANICE...
...YOU'RE HUMAN...YOU'LL FALL IN LOVE AGAIN SOME DAY!
NO...NO I WON'T!
PLEASE, PETER... I CAN'T GO THROUGH ALL THAT AGAIN!
JAN... I UNDERSTAND... I'LL ONLY DRIVE YOU HOME!
LET ME ALONE, PETER ...STAY OUT OF MY LIFE!
I THINK IT'S TOO LATE FOR THAT, JANICE... IT'S ALREADY BEGUN!
JANICE... WAIT!!
MY DINER
WAIT, JAN... AT LEAST LET ME TAKE YOU HOME!

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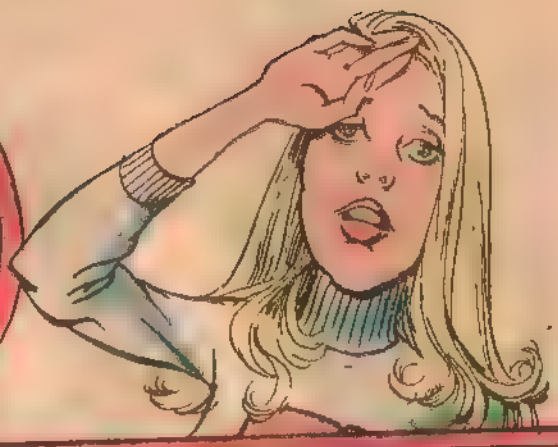
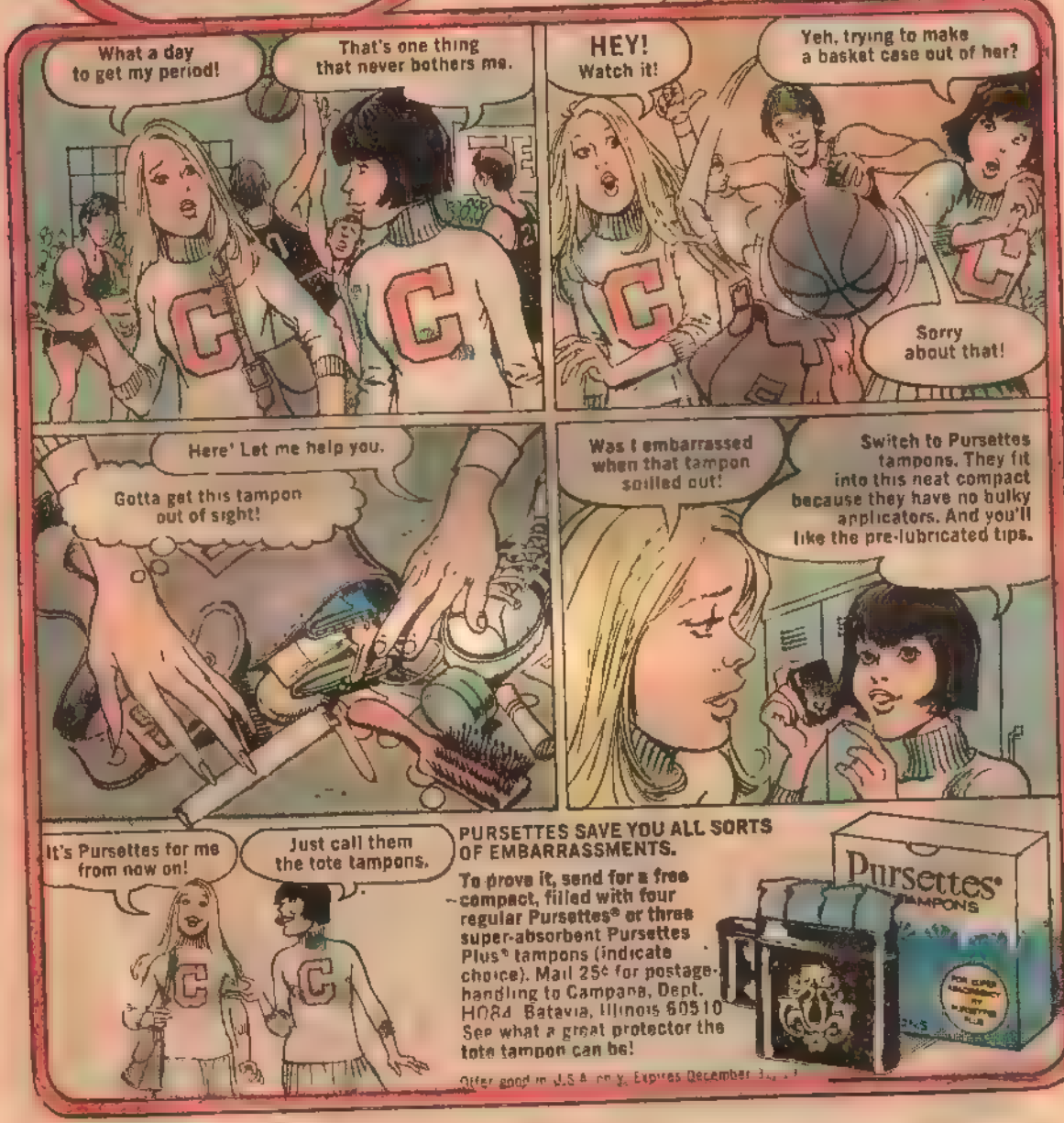
I spilled my secret and he almost picked it up!




What a day to get my period!
That's one thing that never bothers me.
HEY! Watch it!
Yeh, trying to make a basket case out of her?
Sorry about that!
Here' Let me help you.
Gotta get this tampon out of sight!
Was I embarrassed when that tampon spilled out!
Switch to Pursettes tampons. They fit into this neat compact because they have no bulky applicators. And you'll like the pre-lubricated tips.
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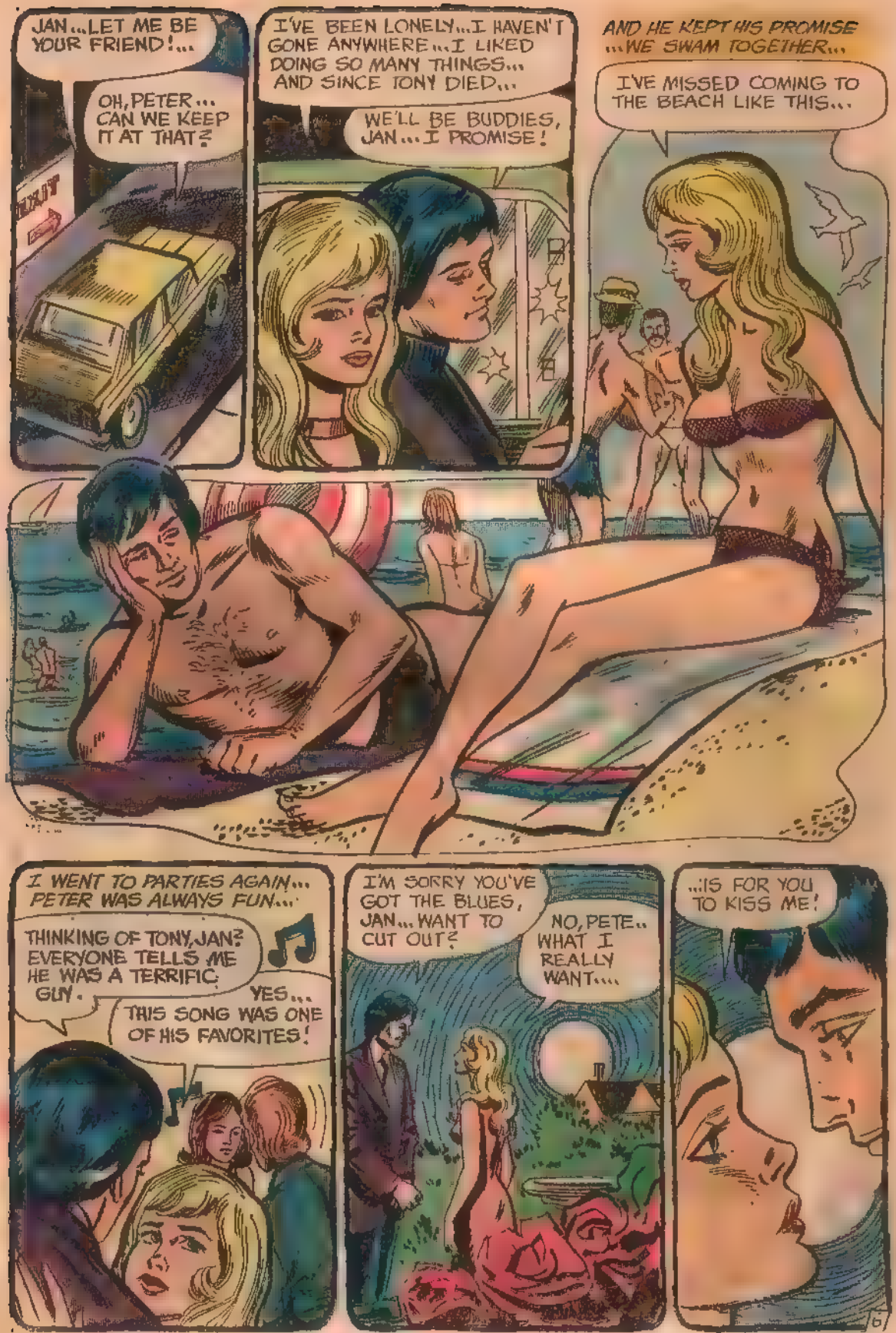
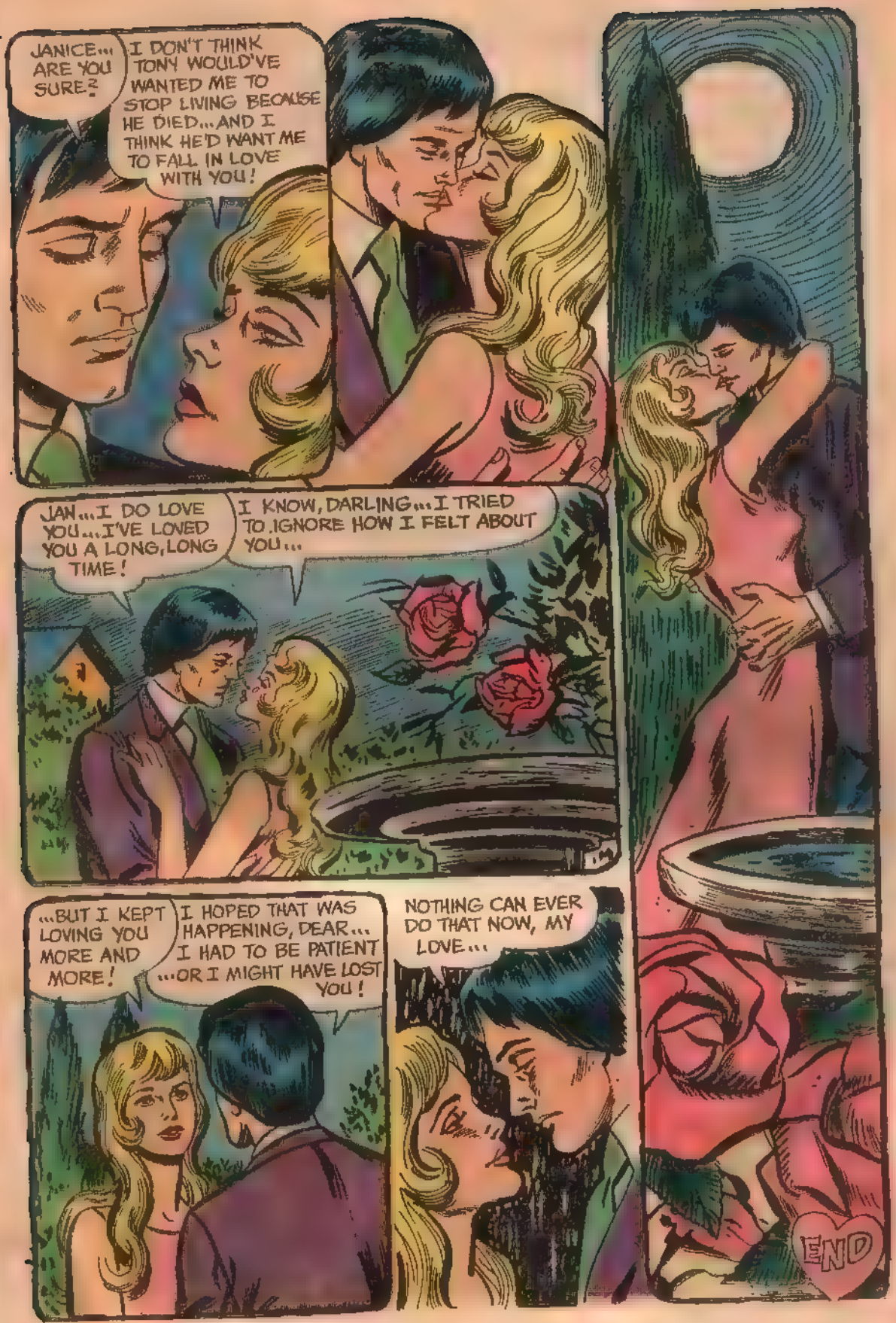

JAN...LET ME BE YOUR FRIEND!...
OH, PETER... CAN WE KEEP IT AT THAT?
EXIT
I'VE BEEN LONELY...I HAVEN'T GONE ANYWHERE...I LIKED DOING SO MANY THINGS... AND SINCE TONY DIED...
WE'LL BE BUDDIES, JAN...I PROMISE!
AND HE KEPT HIS PROMISE ...WE SWAM TOGETHER...
I'VE MISSED COMING TO THE BEACH LIKE THIS...
I WENT TO PARTIES AGAIN... PETER WAS ALWAYS FUN...
THINKING OF TONY, JAN? EVERYONE TELLS ME HE WAS A TERRIFIC GUY.
YES... THIS SONG WAS ONE OF HIS FAVORITES!
I'M SORRY YOU'VE GOT THE BLUES, JAN...WANT TO CUT OUT?
NO, PETE... WHAT I REALLY WANT....
...IS FOR YOU TO KISS ME!


JANICE... ARE YOU SURE?
I DON'T THINK TONY WOULD'VE WANTED ME TO STOP LIVING BECAUSE HE DIED...AND I THINK HE'D WANT ME TO FALL IN LOVE WITH YOU!
JAN...I DO LOVE YOU...I'VE LOVED YOU A LONG, LONG TIME!
I KNOW, DARLING...I TRIED TO IGNORE HOW I FELT ABOUT YOU...
...BUT I KEPT LOVING YOU MORE AND MORE!
I HOPED THAT WAS HAPPENING, DEAR... I HAD TO BE PATIENT ...OR I MIGHT HAVE LOST YOU!
NOTHING CAN EVER DO THAT NOW, MY LOVE...
END

Girl to Girl
MARNA, DARLING..... THIS VACATION IS FABULOUS.... MAYBE WE'LL SPEND OUR HONEYMOON HERE!
SSSSHHH, DARLIN'G..... TONIGHT IS FOR ECSTASY....WE'LL SPEND OTHER EVENINGS BEING SERIOUS!
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BEING IN LOVE WITH GRANT HOLMAN WAS REALLY FANTASTIC.... WHEN HE HELD ME IN HIS ARMS.... AND OUR LIPS MET....I KNEW HE WAS THE ONLY MAN I'D EVER TRULY LOVE!
AND WE WON'T HONEYMOON FOR A LONG, LONG TIME....I WANT TO HAVE A LITTLE FUN BEFORE I SETTLE DOWN!

THERE WERE SIX OF US IN PARIS... WE'D BEEN TO LONDON AND WE STILL HAD TEN DAYS IN ROME BEFORE WE'D ALL FLY BACK TO CHICAGO!
WE'VE BEEN TO THE LOUVRE, THE EIFFEL TOWER, AND ALL THE CULTURAL PLACES, NOW...
LET'S GO SOMEWHERE WHERE WE CAN CUT LOOSE! THERE ARE FABULOUS CAFES ON THE LEFT BANK!
GRANT IS TOO MUCH, MARNA.... HE REALLY DIGS ALL THIS CULTURAL JAZZ! DOESN'T HE KNOW WHAT A BUNDLE OF FUN YOU CAN BE?
MAYBE I DON'T WANT HIM TO FIND OUT, VIC.....
... AT LEAST UNTIL AFTER WE'RE MARRIED!
MAYBE YOU'RE RIGHT, BABY!
YOU'RE A LOT OF WOMAN, SWEETIE....
AM I, DARLING?
WHY IS IT MORE FUN JUST BECAUSE GRANT IS HERE, ... AND THERE'S A CHANCE WE'LL BE CAUGHT?

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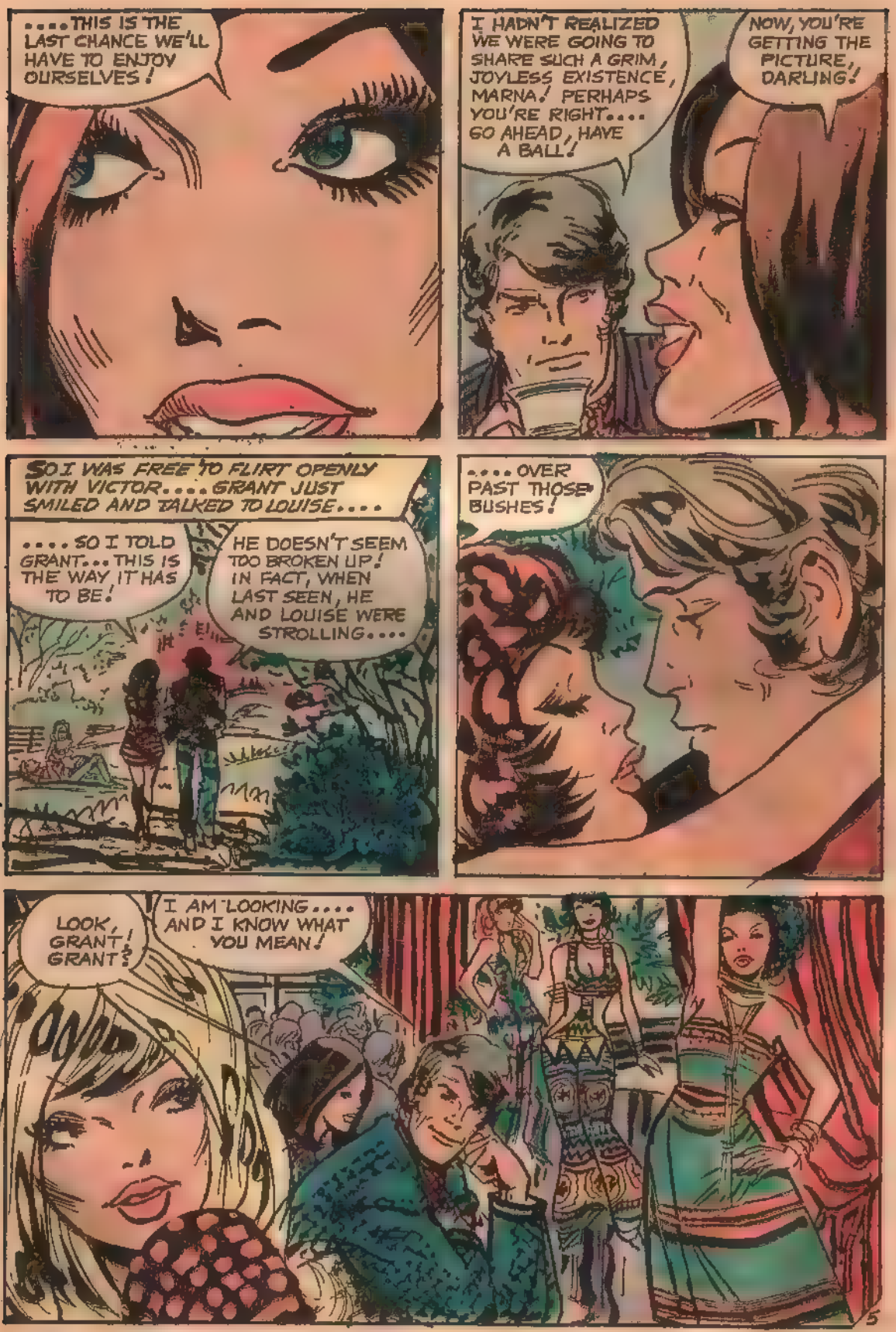
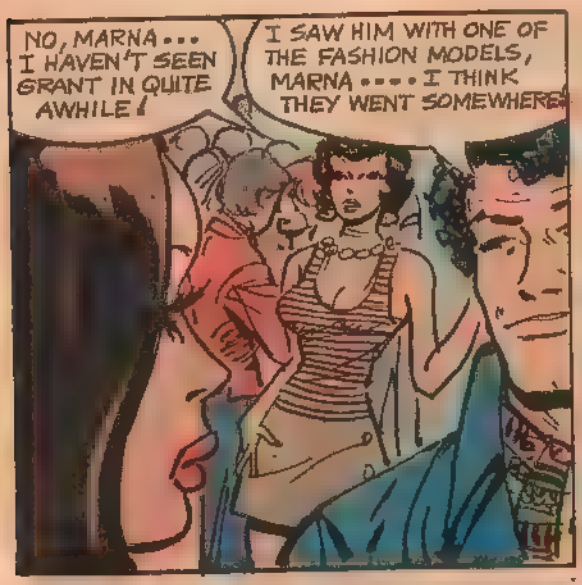
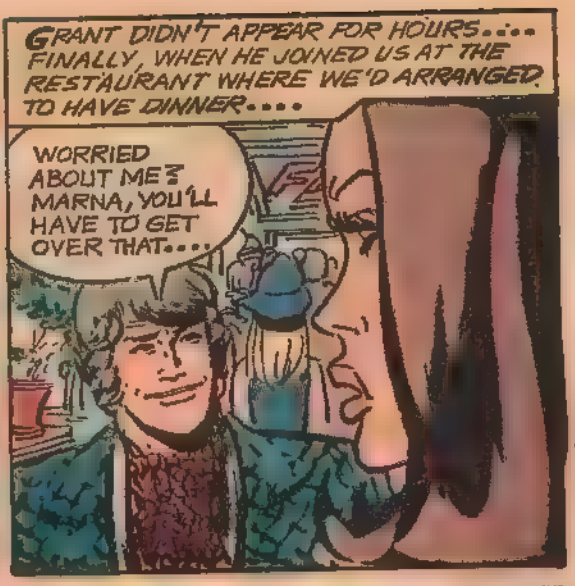
HI, KIDS.... WHY DON'T YOU TWO DANCE?
WE WERE WAITING FOR YOU, VIC! MARNA... IT'S GETTING LATE!
GRANT DOESN'T BELIEVE IN KEEPING LATE HOURS, MARNA!
WE'VE GOT A LOT PLANNED FOR TOMORROW, VIC! NO SENSE RUINING IT BY STAYING OUT ALL NIGHT!
THAT WAS GRANT.... ALWAYS SENSIBLE.... BUT I KNEW THE QUALITIES THAT SOMETIMES IRRITATED ME NOW WOULD BE EXACTLY THE THINGS WHICH WOULD MAKE HIM A GOOD HUSBAND LATER!
THE OTHERS AREN'T BACK, DARLING! WANT A NIGHTCAP?
MARNA, STOP TEMPTING ME....
GOOD NIGHT!
MARNA, YOU'RE FOOLING GRANT BUT I KNOW YOU WERE HAVING HANKY-PANKY WITH VIC IN THAT CAFE!
HOW CAN YOU SAY SUCH A THING, LOUISE....ANYHOW, YOU'RE NOT IN LOVE WITH HIM ARE YOU?
WELL, I'M PRETTY FOND OF DEREK SO KEEP YOUR GREEDY PAWS OFF, SWEETIE!

GRANT WAS PLANNING TO HAVE BREAKFAST WITH ME IN THE MORNING.... BUT I WAS UP EARLIER.... AND I STROLLED THROUGH ONE OF THE BEAUTIFUL PARKS ALONG THE SEINE RIVER!
I'LL BET GRANT IS HAVING A FIT RIGHT NOW WONDERING WHERE I AM!
THAT MAN LOOKS INTERESTING.
GOOD MORNING, MADEMOISELLE. WOULD YOU JOIN ME FOR BREAKFAST?
HIS NAME WAS MARCEL PIERRANT AND HE WAS REALLY CHARMING. I CHOSE OUR OWN HOTEL WHEN HE ASKED ME WHERE I WANTED COFFEE..
MARNA, YOU ARE A TRULY BEAUTIFUL WOMAN! IT WOULD BE SO EASY FOR ME TO FALL COMPLETELY IN LOVE WITH YOU.
AND I YOU, MARCEL....." BUT THERE'S ONE COMPLICATION.....
....I'M ENGAGED TO THIS GENTLEMAN! MARCEL PIERRANT, I'D LIKE YOU TO MEET MY FIANCE, GRANT HOLMAN.
HELLO, MARCEL! MARNA, NONE OF US KNEW WHERE YOU WERE!
MARNA, YOU'VE GOT TO GROW UP! THIS BUSINESS OF FLIRTING WITH EVERY GUY YOU MET WAS FINE IN HIGH SCHOOL BUT....
OH, GRANT, DON'T BE TIRESOME! IN A FEW MONTHS, I'LL BE YOUR WIFE ...LIVING A DULL, STODGY, RESPECTABLE LIFE AND....


....THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WE'LL HAVE TO ENJOY OURSELVES!
I HADN'T REALIZED WE WERE GOING TO SHARE SUCH A GRIM, JOYLESS EXISTENCE, MARNA! PERHAPS YOU'RE RIGHT.... GO AHEAD, HAVE A BALL!
NOW, YOU'RE GETTING THE PICTURE, DARLING!
SO I WAS FREE TO FLIRT OPENLY WITH VICTOR.... GRANT JUST SMILED AND TALKED TO LOUISE....
....SO I TOLD GRANT... THIS IS THE WAY IT HAS TO BE!
HE DOESN'T SEEM TOO BROKEN UP! IN FACT, WHEN LAST SEEN, HE AND LOUISE WERE STROLLING....
....OVER PAST THOSE BUSHES!
LOOK, GRANT! GRANT!
I AM LOOKING.... AND I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN!


NO, MARNA... I HAVEN'T SEEN GRANT IN QUITE AWHILE!
I SAW HIM WITH ONE OF THE FASHION MODELS, MARNA.... I THINK THEY WENT SOMEWHERE


GRANT DIDN'T APPEAR FOR HOURS.... FINALLY, WHEN HE JOINED US AT THE RESTAURANT WHERE WE'D ARRANGED TO HAVE DINNER....
WORRIED ABOUT ME? MARNA, YOU'LL HAVE TO GET OVER THAT....

....I'M A BIG BOY NOW, REMEMBER? I WAS TALKING TO THIS BEAUTIFUL PARISIENNE.... TIME JUST FLEW BY.... I'M SORRY IF YOU WERE WORRIED!

BESIDES, I THOUGHT PERHAPS YOU'D WANT TO FREE-LANCE A LITTLE! YOU COULD'VE HELD HANDS WITH VIC OR FOUND YOUR BOY, MARCEL, AND....
STOP IT, GRANT, YOU'RE NOT FUNNY!

BUT GRANT DIDN'T STOP! ON THE PLANE FROM PARIS TO ROME, HE HAD A BALL WITH THE STEWARDESSES....
DOESN'T HE EVER GET TIRED OF FLIRTING WITH STRANGE GIRLS?

BUT, IN ROME, IT WAS BEAUTIFUL... WE WENT SIGHT-SEEING.... GRANT KISSED ME BY MOONLIGHT OUTSIDE THE COLISEUM AND....
THIS IS THE WAY IT USED TO BE BETWEEN US!...
I MUST'VE BEEN PRETTY DULL BEFORE, DARLING.... AND I DON'T BLAME YOU FOR BEING WORRIED ABOUT THE DULL, JOYLESS EXISTENCE WE'D SHARE AFTER WE'RE MARRIED!
HUH? WHAT DO YOU MEAN, GRANT?
WELL, IF I JUST KEPT YOU ALL TO MYSELF... AND I NEVER LOOKED AT ANOTHER GIRL.... IT WOULD BE PRETTY SAD... BUT WE'RE BOTH ADULTS... WE WON'T JUST BELONG TO EACH OTHER.... WE'LL BE FREE!
FREE? NO.... WE'LL BE MARRIED!
YOU'RE PUTTING ME ON, RIGHT? YOU'RE THE ONE WHO WANTS TO HAVE A GOOD TIME!
GRANT, DO YOU MEAN YOU'RE GOING TO BE BEHAVING THIS WAY AFTER WE'RE MARRIED?
I THINK IT'S GREAT, MARNA!
YOU'RE REALLY SAVING ME FROM A LONG, DULL MARRIED LIFE... I THINK IT'S GOING TO BE GREAT.... WE'LL HAVE A BLAST!

COME ON... THE GANG IS WAITING FOR US AT THE CASINO... LET'S GO!
HE DOESN'T REALIZE WHAT HE'S DOING TO ME!
I FOUGHT BACK THE TEARS.... I WAS DETERMINED TO HOLD HIS LOVE....
COME ON, MARNA... WE'RE LATE!
COMING, DARLING!
FOR AWHILE, DARLING, I WAS PRETTY SQUARE....
FOR AWHILE, MY LOVE.... YOU WERE ABSOLUTELY WONDERFUL!
GRANT WAS ABSOLUTELY PERFECT.... I DIDN'T KNOW HOW LUCKY I WAS UNTIL I'D RUINED OUR LIVES!
YOU'RE THE WILDEST CHICK IN THE PLACE, MARNA!
YOU'RE PRETTY FAR OUT YOURSELF, DARLING!

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AH, SIGNORINA.... YOU DANCE SO BEAUTIFULLY! MAY I HAVE THIS DANCE?
UH.... NO... THAT IS, I'M WITH MY FIANCE!
SIGNORE? WITH YOUR PERMISSION?
I DON'T THINK THE LADY REALLY WANTS TO DANCE WITH ANYONE BUT ME, MY FRIEND!
THAT'S THE MESSAGE, ISN'T IT, MARNA? WE DON'T WANT TO SHARE EACH OTHER WITH OTHER PEOPLE, DO WE?
OH, NO, GRANT....
I BELONG TO YOU.... ONLY YOU, MY DARLING!
THAT'S THE WAY- IT HAS TO BE, MARNA!
I'D DISCOVERED A VERY IMPORTANT TRUTH.... I DID HAVE THE FREEDOM TO LOVE.... BUT IF I CHOSE TO LOVE TOO FREELY, THEN GRANT WOULD BE EQUALLY FREE.... TO BREAK MY HEART!
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TEENAGE Troubles

We have asked one of the leading authorities in the country to write a special column for this publication. It will consist of answers to problems of teen-agers. Dr. Harold Gluck has had many years of experience with boys and girls of your age group. He knows what bothers them and the sensible help and advice that they need. So, if you have a problem, write him a letter. State your situation simply and briefly. Give all important facts. Please write legibly. There will be no personal replies. But from your letters, one will be chosen to be answered in every issue of this publication.

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Dear Dr. Gluck:

I am nineteen years old, and I soon will have to make a very important decision concerning my future and that of Paul. I met him this summer when we both worked at the same hotel. He is one year older than myself. He was the lifeguard at the pool, and I guess you can say that I was his assistant. The hotel had a day care group, and I helped with that work.

Paul was wonderful in every respect. Soon we realized we were falling in love with each other. It wasn't a summer romance. I know this takes place with a lot of people. But this is real. We both will soon finish our last year of college. Paul has been very frank with me. He does want to marry me. He has already met my parents, and I have met his parents.

But there is one big obstacle in the way. You can call it money. When I graduate, I will get my teacher's certificate. Paul then has four more years of study since he wants to be a dentist. There is almost enough money with loans to see him through school. But supporting a wife? So he has put it up to me. I would have to be the breadwinner for at least those four years. I am certain of getting a job. I wish I could look into the future. But I can't. It is o.k. for a man to support a woman. So under these circumstances it should be o.k. for the woman to support a man - her husband. What is your opinion on this matter? That is something I do need.

Very truly yours,
Diana M...

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Dear Diana M:

I, too, wish I could look into the future. Based upon past experiences and new facts, one does try to make a prediction. I have known of situations similar to yours. In some, they worked out o.k. In others, they didn't. That means you have to do some tough thinking ahead with all the facts available, and then you have to make your decision. You are going to work, take care of a home, have the financial responsibilities upon your shoulders, and also be a married woman. What happens if you get ill and are unable to work? Or suppose you lose your job as a teacher? Or find that you are going to have a baby? Who then takes over?

Let us take a peep at the similar marriages that failed. In one, the woman really became the "boss." She did earn big money. When they went out to a party, it was quite evident that she ran everything - including her husband. For the final case: the woman found she really had a sort of very busy school "boy" on her hands. There was rarely any time to do things together. He was always busy studying. So there you are. I came across a case in which the woman sent her husband to the professional school and worked like a dog to earn enough money. He was as cold-blooded as they come. He ditched her when he was finished. The words of the judge were very tough. But he deserved them. She had a complete mental breakdown as a result.

On the other hand, you may be very happy. That depends upon the two of you. I met a young happy couple. He decided he wanted to study law. So he went to law school for three years. He did have a grant to see him through. She worked hard to run the house. Now he makes good money, and she has quit her job. We do change over the years. This is something hard to predict how a person changes. You have to take that into your calculations. Now for the tough bitter pill: had he met another girl, would he have put the same proposition about working also up to her?

If you hesitate, hold off. Should you decide to get married, then under the facts you have given to me, you should not get married until you have that job as a teacher. I think you should further talk this over with your parents. Also check into any possible additional grants or loans that may be available to him for his study.

Cordially yours,
Dr. Harold Gluck

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